PREFACE

This TC is produced as a result of Congress enacting into law the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986. The law mandates states to meet the same minimum licensing standards. The law also requires that each commercial motor vehicle driver obtain a CDL to operate certain vehicles. In 1988, Congress waived the CDL requirement for certain DOD military drivers. However, the waiver is based on the services meeting or exceeding the minimum standards set forth in the CMVSA of 86.

This TC parallels the FHWA approved model driver's manual used by commercial driver training institutions to qualify civilian drivers to CDL standards. This TC and a computer-assisted instruction program (CAI 551-10), are designed to enhance the knowledge and skills of military drivers. This media also supports the military driver training, testing, and licensing standardization initiatives.

These programs may be used to enhance existing unit driver training initiatives. They are adaptable to an individual or group settings. Deviations from these programs will negatively impact driver skills and standardization objectives.

These programs do not restrict their contents to any particular vehicle. They are a guide to normal highway operations under varying conditions for transporting various types of cargo. They do not include any specific geographical or theater unique requirements. However, they do conform to the basic driving criteria needed to obtain a state or federal government agency license. If you are pursuing a CDL from a particular state, contact that state's licensing authority, they may have other licensing criteria.

The US Army's environment strategy into the 21st century defines the Army's leadership commitment and philosophy for meeting present and future environmental challenges. It provides a framework to ensure that environmental stewardship ethic governs all Army activities. The Army's environmental vision is to be a national leader in environmental and natural resource stewardship for present and future generations, as an integral part of all Army missions. The Army's environmental vision statement communicates the Army's commitment to the environment.

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